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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested. Claim amendments are presented herein to obviate the current rejection.

Claim 25 has been amended to recite: "a plurality of instruction sources generating instructions having varying instruction sizes; first and second switching elements, which respectively switch instructions originating with said plurality of instruction sources and sizes of said instructions, so that both said instructions and said instruction sizes are simultaneously output; and a decoder, which receives said instructions and instruction sizes as inputs thereof."

Claim 26 has been amended to recite: "wherein said first and second switching elements switch multiple instructions to the decoder, and said decoder simultaneously decodes said multiple instructions."

The amendments to claims 25 and 26 delete the use of the term pre-decoding unit. As a result, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections of the drawings and the rejections of claims 25 and 26 under 35 USC § 112 be withdrawn. Moreover, it is respectfully submitted that such claims have similar scope to allowed claim 23 and should be similarly allowable.

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It is agreed that the features recited in the examiner's Reasons for Allowance are not taught or suggested by the art of record, and that some or all of the allowed independent claims 23, 27, and 34 are distinguished from the art of record for at least the reasons stated in the Reasons for Allowance. Applicant does not concede that the stated reasons are the only grounds for patentability of the allowed claims, that the claim limitations excluded from the Reasons for Allowance are taught or suggested by the art of record, or that all of the limitations are necessary for patentability of the allowed claims or other claims directed to the disclosed subject matter. Additionally, each allowed claim stands on its own.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

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Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please apply
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Respectfully submitted,



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